

**OFFICE OF CONGRESSMAN EARL BLUMENAUER
APPROPRIATIONS REQUEST FORM
FISCAL YEAR 2011**

Instructions

1. Please complete the entire form. **All fields are required.**
2. Please do not **bold**, underline, or *italicize* responses.
3. Request forms must be submitted as a Word document.
4. All completed request forms and any supplemental materials must be submitted via email to:
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5. Please do not send more than one request per email.
6. All completed request forms must be submitted no later than **Friday, February 26, 2010.**
7. If you do not receive an email confirming receipt of your request within 48 hours of submission, please contact Stephanie Cappa in Congressman Blumenauer's Washington, D.C. office at 202-225-4811.

PLEASE NOTE: All appropriations requests submitted to Congressman Blumenauer's office will be made public on his website, as required by the House Committee on Appropriations.

Project Details

1. Project title:

Behavioral Healthcare Housing for Court Diversion of Individuals with Mental Illness

2. Organization name and address (the recipient of the funds):

Luke-Dorf, Inc.
10313 SW 69th Ave
Tigard, OR 97223

3. Contact information

a. Project's primary contact:

Howard Spanbock, Executive Director

b. Daytime telephone number/ mobile phone number:

Office: 503-726-3700
[REDACTED]

c. Email Address:

hspanbock@luke-dorf.org

d. Project location (if different than organization's address):

4. Please describe the requesting organization's main activities.

Luke-Dorf, Inc. is a private, nonprofit (501(c)3) community mental health provider specializing in services for individuals with severe and persistent mental illness. Founded in 1977, the agency has

a well-defined history of providing innovative and compassionate services to the metropolitan-area mental health community and is currently the second largest provider of both Licensed Residential Treatment Services and Psychiatric Security Review Board Services in the state of Oregon. Luke-Dorf's mission is to help individuals with severe and persistent mental illness reach their fullest potential by providing exemplary mental health services.

Case management, supported residential settings and many specialized treatment programs are designed to maximize each participant's integration in the community. Main activities include:

- Residential placements with varying levels of structure
- Case management
- Prescriber services
- Medication monitoring
- Physical health care coordination
- State licensed dual diagnosis treatment
- Skills training
- Supported employment
- Homeless outreach
- Cognitive and creative therapy
- Payee services
- Assistance obtaining benefits and entitlements

In addition, Luke-Dorf contracts with government and private entities throughout Washington and Multnomah counties to provide recovery-oriented services focused on client choice and self-determination.

Service delivery is driven by the belief that every client has the potential for recovery and the right to be integrated in community life. The agency's approach is always client centered and responsive to the needs of the community.

5. Is this organization a public, private non-profit, or private for-profit entity?

Private non-profit, 501(c)3

6. From what federal agency and account are you requesting funds (Please be specific –e.g., Department of Housing and Urban Development, Economic Development Initiatives account)?

1. Department of Housing and Urban Development, Economic Development Initiatives
2. Department of Health and Human Services, HRSA – Health Facilities and Construction

7. Briefly describe the activity or project for which funding is requested (no more than 500 words).

The proposed project is a 14 bed Behavioral Healthcare Housing Facility, with medically-monitored treatment for individuals diverted by the Multnomah County Mental Health Court.

More than half of America's inmates face mental health challenges. Offenders with a mental illness are more likely to serve multiple sentences and to have been homeless in the year prior to their arrest (Bureau of Justice Statistics Special Report, 2006). In 2008, Multnomah County took a decisive step to address this problem. The county established a Mental Health Court to divert individuals from jail into treatment and supervision. A key component of the Court's success is the

ability to house participants in a monitored setting. Until adequate behavioral health care housing is available, the Mental Health Court will not operate at full capacity.

Luke-Dorf's proposed facility will fill this critical need in the continuum of care, offering medically-monitored treatment and support while facilitating reintegration into the community. Case management and psychiatric services, coordinated with physical health care, increase the likelihood of recovery and ensure a corresponding decrease in costly recidivism. The future success of the recently established Multnomah County Mental Health Court depends on the availability of treatment-oriented housing.

Length of treatment will be individualized, depending on assignments given by the court. During their stay, clients will work with a multidisciplinary team of housing specialists, psychiatric prescribers, doctors, nurses, case managers and skills trainers. This same treatment team will continue to work with clients once they move into more independent housing, sustaining their supports for mental health stability, sobriety and a crime free lifestyle.

Currently, Luke-Dorf operates a similar program in Washington County. The Hillsboro Graduated Independent Living Program (HGILP) is a highly effective program that opened in 2007 and receives a majority of referrals from the Washington County Mental Health Court. The proposed Behavioral Healthcare Housing Facility will build on the success of that model, taking into account the specific needs of Multnomah County.

The goal of Luke-Dorf's partnership with the Multnomah County Mental Health Court is to place individuals in medically-monitored behavioral healthcare housing where they can receive treatment, obtain necessary medication, connect to social supports and physical health care and follow conditions set by the court. The ultimate goal is to transition participants back to the community at the highest possible level of independence, relieving the societal and financial burden caused by their untreated symptoms.

8. What is the purpose of the project? Why is it a valuable use of taxpayer funds? How will the project support efforts to improve the economy and create jobs in Oregon?

This project will reduce the cost to the community resulting from lack of adequate treatment options for individuals with severe mental illness. There is a significant deficit both in understanding how to best deal with this population and in community resources directed toward their unique needs. Individuals with severe mental illness frequently struggle with additional challenges such as homelessness, substance use and a lack of financial support and disproportionately utilize costly community resources such as state and local hospitals, emergency rooms, law enforcement and fire department services, jails, shelters and crisis intervention. The community justice system bears much of this load, as poor symptom management often leads to socially and legally disruptive behavior, as well as significantly higher rates of recidivism. This overutilization of resources creates an unnecessary financial burden which falls largely on the taxpayers of the community.

Creation of treatment and housing services specific to the needs of the severely mentally ill population will help to alleviate the cost caused by their over utilization of community resources. The daily cost of the proposed Luke-Dorf facility is approximately \$100 per day per individual, as opposed to approximately \$160 per day at the Multnomah County Jail. Additionally, similar therapeutic community Programs for Mentally Ill Offenders have been shown to reduce recidivism rates by 20.8% (Washington State Institute for Public Policy, October 2006). Taxpayers will

benefit not only from the reduction in daily cost but also from a reduction in the number of days spent in a taxpayer funded facility.

This program will also facilitate job creation in the area. Approximately 30 jobs will be created for the duration of construction for this \$2 million building. Once operational, the program will employ about 15 people long-term. These positions will cover a wide range of training levels including direct care employees, housing specialists, medical staff and master's level clinicians. The proposed project is an excellent use of taxpayer funds because it not only benefits the individuals involved, by supporting their personal recovery and reintegration, but also brings substantial benefit to the general community in the form of financial and human cost savings.

9. Has this project received federal appropriations funding in past fiscal years?

No.

9a. If yes, please provide the fiscal year, Department, Account, and funding amount of any previous funding.

Funding Details

10. Amount requested for this project:

\$1,639,792

11. Breakdown/budget of the amount you are requesting for this project (e.g., salary \$40,000; computer \$3,000):

Cost summary provided by Scott Edwards Architecture, LLC.

	Item	Estimated Cost
A.	Building construction	
	Office (\$200 per sq ft x 2,400 sq ft)	\$ 480,000
	Housing (\$200 per sq ft x 3,600 sq ft)	\$ 720,000
B.	Site development	\$ 130,740
	(\$12 per sq ft x 10,895 sq ft)	
C.	Construction contingency, 10%	\$ 133,000
Total Estimated Construction Cost		\$1,463,740
D.	Increase for Davis-Bacon wage rates, 15%	\$ 220,000
E.	Permits/system development charges	\$ 100,000
F.	Land survey	\$ 10,000
G.	Geotechnical report	\$ 10,000
H.	Arborist report	\$ 3,000
I.	Architectural/engineering fee, 10% of construction	\$ 146,000
J.	Reimbursable expenses (printing, bidding, travel, etc.)	\$ 7,000
K.	Owner representative	\$ 25,000
L.	Fixtures, furniture and equipment	\$ 50,000
M.	Independent special inspection during construction	\$ 15,000
Total Project Estimated Cost		\$2,049,740

12. What is the total cost of the project?

\$2,049,740

13. Is this project scalable (i.e., If partial funding is awarded, will the organization still be able to use the funds in FY 2011?)?

Yes. Luke-Dorf plans to move forward with this important project with whatever amount of federal funding is available. The federal funds will be critical in leveraging additional financial support from other partners.

14. What other funding sources (local, regional, state) are contributing to this project or activity? (Please be specific about funding sources and funding amounts)

Multnomah County; operating costs as the local mental health authority

State of Oregon; operating dollars to be determined

Oregon Health Plan/Medicaid; treatment services

Foundation Support; Luke-Dorf is applying for several local and federal grants

15. Please list public or private organizations that have supported/endorsed this project.

Multnomah County; State of Oregon; Oregon Health Plan/Medicaid.

Other Organizations/Community Leaders who have expressed support of this project:	
Organization:	Multnomah County District Attorney's Office
Contact:	Michael D. Schrunk
Telephone:	503-988-3143
Organization:	Judge Richard Baldwin
Contact:	Multnomah County Circuit Court Judge
Telephone:	503-988-3052
Organization:	Metropolitan Public Defenders Office
Contact:	John Connors, attorney
Telephone:	503-225-9100
Organization:	Multnomah County Commissioner, District 1
Contact:	Commissioner Deborah Kafoury
Telephone:	503-988-5220
Organization:	Multnomah County Commissioner, District 2
Contact:	Commissioner Jeff Cogen
Telephone:	503-988-5219
Organization:	Multnomah County Commissioner, District 3
Contact:	Commissioner Judy Shiprack
Telephone:	503-988-5217
Organization:	Multnomah County Commissioner, District 4
Contact:	Commissioner Diane McKeel
Telephone:	503-988-5213
Organization:	Multnomah County Chairman
Contact:	Chair Ted Wheeler
Telephone:	503-988-3308
Organization:	Oregon State Representative
Contact:	Rep. Mitch Greenlick
Telephone:	503-986-1433/503-297-2416
Organization:	Oregon Department of Human Services
Contact:	Richard Harris, Assistant Director
Telephone:	503-945-5763
Organization:	Multnomah County Circuit Court

Contact:	Judge Julie Frantz
Telephone:	503-988-3045
Organization:	Multnomah County Department of Community Justice
Contact:	Scott Taylor, Director
Telephone:	503-988-5590
Organization:	Multnomah County Sheriff's Office
Contact:	Daniel Staton, Sheriff
Telephone:	503-988-4400
Organization:	Washington County Circuit Court
Contact:	Judge Marco Hernandez
Telephone:	503-846-3852

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